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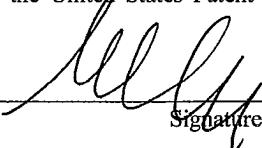
Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby resubmit this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), which was previously filed on July 9, 2007 via mail. The July 9, 2007 IDS was not considered by the Examiner and does not appear in the electronic PAIR system. Copies of the July 9, 2007 IDS and the postcard indicating that the Information Disclosure Statement was received on July 11, 2007 are attached.

This application is the national phase of International Application No. PCT/JP2004/011200, which was filed on July 29, 2004.

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Japanese references JP 2-5238 B, JP 2003-206698 A, and JP 2004-019181 A are cited on page 1 of the present application and are relevant for the reasons given therein. JP 57-77798 corresponds to JP 2-5238 B. Japanese reference JP 2003-308822 is cited on page 10 of the present application, identified by its application number, JP 2003-308822, and is relevant for the reasons given therein. Copies of each of these references and English-language abstracts thereof have been included herein with the exception of JP 57-77798 for which no English-language abstract could be located.

All of the other references cited on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A were cited in an International Search Report (ISR) in the corresponding PCT application. In the ISR, these references were classified as "category A" documents (documents defining the general state of the art), which are not considered to be of particular relevance. English-language abstracts are provided for each of these references except for JP 63-185900. Copies of the ISR and the International Preliminary Report on Patentability issued in connection with the corresponding PCT application are attached.

As noted above, Applicants respectfully submit that the content of this IDS was previously filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97. Although the July 9, 2007 IDS was received by the Patent Office, it appears that the IDS was misplaced and not forwarded to the Examiner for consideration. Because the present IDS merely resubmits the July 9, 2007 IDS, Applicants respectfully submit that the present IDS should be considered and that no fee is due for the present submission. However, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650.

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